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PUBLIC AUCTION THE Undersigned has received Instructions PUBLIC AUCTION.

TUESDAY, the 25th FEBRUARY, 1896, at 2.30 P.M., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Roan, HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c. (for Sundry Accounts).

Comprising: —
TAPESTRY with PLUSH-COVERE DRAWING ROOM SUITE BLACK WOOD TABLES and STOOLS. Bevelled Glass OVERMANTELS, PIC. TURES, CARPET, and RUGS. GLASS BOOKCASES and WRITING EXTENSION DINING TABLE, SIDE

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Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. WANTED.

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Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Chartered Steamship "COSMOPOLIT." Captain Holtz, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-DAY, the 19th inst., at 9 A.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. FOR SHANGHAL

THE Steamship "LYEEMOON." Captain G. Houermann, will be despatched for the above port on FRIDAY, the 21st inst., at For Freight or Passage andly to.

FILE 100 A.I. British Ship "QUEEN ELIZABETH' Fulton, Master, will load here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & CO. -Hongkong, 19th February, 1896.

NAVAL CONTRACT 1896-97 SEALED TENDERS, in duplicate, will be RECEIVED by the NAVAL STORE-REEPER, H.M. NAVAL YARD, until 10 A.M., on FRIDAY, the 28th instant, from persons, desirous of supplying the undermentioned Articles for the use of H.M. Navy for the Year

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Printed Forms of Tenders and Jurther Par-The right to reject the Twest or any Tender Hongkong Victualis Yard, 18th February,

BAN HOLIDAYS. THE Undo non-sound BANKS will be CLOSTO for the Transaction of Public Pressure 1:45 A.M. TO-MOLEOW

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FOR THE BANK OF CHINA ARD JAPAN, CHANTREY INCHBALD.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1896. 482-INSURANCE HOLIDAYS.

HONGKONG RACES. THE Undermention id INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Bus ness at 11.45 A.M., on TO-MORROW (THUR SDAY). FRIDAY. and SATUEDAY, the 20th, 21st, and 22nd

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SHEWAN & CO. YANGTEZÉ TYBURANCE ATBOCIA-TION. LD. GEORGE L. TOMLIN. Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1896.

CRINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD. WM. MACBEAN, Manager. THE STRAITS INSURANCE CO., LD. INTIMATIONS.

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CANDIDATES are required for the Post of INSPECTOR of POLICE, H.M. NAVAL Salary-3100 per Month and Free Quarters.

Application to be made in writing accompanied by Testimonials to the Commodore H.M. Naval Yard. Hongkong, 15th February, 1898.

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BOOKING OFFICE open from 930 A.M. to Except on Race Days when it closes at Noon. Prices \$3, \$2, and \$1. The Public are reminded that NO CHITS

WILL BE TAKEN at the Booking Office. LATE TRAMS 15 minutes after Performance Hongkong, 12th February, 1896. AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

COTTAGE PIANO, &c. THE Undersigned has received Instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION

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RICKSHAS. Catalogues issued prior to Sale. On View rom Tuesday, the 18th February, P.M.

TERMS OF SALE :- As Customary. GEO. P. LAMMERT, Anctioneer. Hongkong, 15th February, 1896

PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Undersigned have received Instructions from Messrs. GILMAN & Co.,

Lloyds Agents, to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION. FRIDAY, the 28th day of FEBRUARY instant,

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TERMS OF SALE .- One third of the Purhammer and the remainder within one weel from date of Sale. The Vessel and everything pertaining thereto to be at Purchaser's risk immediately after being knocked down. For further Particulars, apply to HUGHES & HOUGH,

GILMAN & CO.. Lloyds Agents. Hongkong, 11th February, 1896. A 188 1

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION. No. 39.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held on the spot, on MONDAY, the 24th day of FEBBUARY, 1896, at 4 P.M., are published for general information. By Command, J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,

Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 8th February, 1896. Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MON-DAY, the 24th day of FEBBUARY, 1896; at 4 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of Three Lots of Crown Land, at

North Point in the Colony of Hongkong, for a Term of 999 years. PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

Boundary Measure menta. N. B. E. W.

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HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB. RACE MEETING, 1896.

TO MORROW (THURSDAY). FRIDAY, AND SATURDAY the 20th, 21st, and 22nd February FINICKETS of ADMISSION to the GRAND STAND AND ENGLOSURE may be obtained from Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, LD. 'Price &

for the Meeting. Tickets for the Day may be purchased at the Gate. Price, \$2 each... No one admitted without a Ticket, to be shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate. T F HOUGH.

Clork of the Course. Hongkong, 17th February, 1896. HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE during the St-Julien Medic Races on the 20th, 21st, and 22nd inst. T. F. HOUGH. Clerk of the Course. Hongkong, 17th February, 1896.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB NO SERVANTS will be allowed inside the ENCLOSURE of the RAGECOURSE during the Race Days without Tickets, which can be had on application to the Undersigned. T. F. HOUGH,

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LIMITED. SPECIAL SUNDAY EXCURSION TO

A / EATHER permitting the steamer "HONAM" will leave for MACAO next SUNDAY, 23rd inst., at 9 A.M., and on the return trip will leave Macao at 10 P.M. The Procession of the Cross will take place n Macao in the Afternoon. FARE there and back, \$2. No Single or Second Class Fares.

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AUCTIONS.



THE following Particulars and Conditions from its infuncy. of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held on the Spot. on TUESDAY, the 25th day of FEBRUARY, 1896, at 3 P.M., are published for general information. By Command, J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,

Colonial Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 8th February, 1896. Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sales to be held on TUES. DAY, the 25th day of FEBBUARY, 1896, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land, at Wanchai, in the Colony of Hongkong, for

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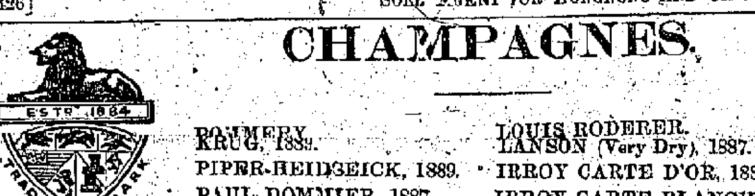
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Saigon 12th Feb., Rice.-WIELER & Co. Fab. 18, WUOTAN, German str., 1,015, A. Ott, Suigon 11th Feb., Rice.-LAUTS, WEGE-Feb. 18; WINGSANG, British steamer, 1,517, J Young, Calcutta 2nd Feb., Penang 8th, and Singapore 11th, Opinion deneral. - JAB-

DINE, MATHESON & Co. Feb. 18, Cosmopolit, German steamer, 551, A. Holtz, Swatow 17th February, General.-DOUGLAS LAPRAIR & Co.-... CLEARANCES. AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE. 18TH FEBRUARY.

Hanoi, French str., for Haiphong. Chintung, Chinese str., for Shanghai. Michael Jebsen, German str., for Holhow. Wing Hong, British str., for Swatow. Guthrie, British str., for Shanghai. Catherine Apear, British str., for Singapore. Feb. 18, LYDERHORN, British str., for Bangkok. Feb. 18. ACTIV. Danish str., for Heihow. Feb. 18, KWEILIN. British str., for Canton, Feb. 18, HATTAN, British str., for Swatow.

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7th of December, 1895, at Lapholt at China, Annie M. Parrott, wife of ALEERT GEORGE PARROTT, M.R.C.S. (England), of Southern China by means of transit L.R.C.P. (London), aged 40 years.

tunity to open up a magnificent trade route through Tonkin. And we are prompted by HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 19TH, 1896. no selfish desire to gain an exclusive POLITICALLY in South China the question privilege, for, if obtained, the concession of the hour is that of the opening of the will be general, and all nations who can West River. To say that it has not become will benefit. The Governments of Kwangsi somewhat stale, or that the delays which and Kweichow will, moreover, if steamers some, would perhaps be inaccurate, to put it be allowed to navigate the West River, be able to procure supplies of food in time of and over again; it has been discussed ad drought and scarcity which will enable then; to avert the famines that have in nauseam; and every argument in favour of former years played such havor in the the great inland waterway being made free to interior of those provinces. But we want, the navigation of foreign steamers has been in addition, a rectification of the boundaries advanced and pressed on the attention of the of this colony—the political, strategical, Governments of Great Britain and Chins. and commercial importance of which become On two or three occasions the time for daily more apparent such as will enable urging this question on the Tsungli Yamen us, living and trading within it, to make has seemed so propitious, the arguments to ourselves secure from all attack whether be presented in favour of the concession so threatened from the adjoining mainland or incontrovertible, that scarcely a doubt was entertained of its being yielded. But the no time more opportune than the present powers of the British Minister or underrated for insisting on this concession is ever likely the obstinate contumacy of the Chinese mandarius. The British Government had a long account to settle with China, and this account has, again and again, been increased, but there has been no limit, hitherto, to Anglo-Saxon patience and forbearance, and the mandarins must ere now have arrived at the comfortable conviction that John Bull's forbearance is a soundless depth. He may, they argue, fume a little and may. even threaten, but he will not proceed to action. Of course this conviction may prove to be a mistake, for the Lion does becasionally awake and his anger is then terrible. him, and it is so long since his anger was on Monday, the 17th inst. at 4 p.m. and may be but it certainly takes a great deal to rouse folt in China that the memory of it has expected here on or about Sunday, the 23rd inst. paled. Then, again, he has not seemed in real cornect in demanding reparation for the Yangtsze Valley, Szechuen, and Kucheng riots and massacres. True, he demanded the punishment of the immediate instruments in the perpetration of these abominable crimes, but has he yet seriously insisted on Inlu has arrived at Yokohama, and will leave reparation for the wrong? Does not the for this port this morning, the 19th inst, via Chinese Gevernment imagina that a few Neguesti

tacls of silver and a few blood-stained heads

of coolies have sufficiently condened those

If, as we believe, through the pre-occupa-

tion of the Foreign Office and the lethingy

of the British Minister at Peking, this be

crimes against lumanity and civilisation?

negotiations for the opining of the West alty, and he has already sent away his family in River to foreign trade make scant progress. We note that the Peking correspondent of our Shanghai morning contemporary, writing on the 24th ultimo, announces that "another ultimatum was presented to the "Tsungli Yamen by the British Charge "d'Affaires, demanding the opening of the 'West River." If this be true, it is doubt-

country to France which England had ceded

to her as a third party. Eventhis does not,

in the estimation of the Peking, mandarins.

hak for the opening of the West River.

They are prepared to take all and give-

none: their presumption and assurance are

literally boundless. The correspondent above

quoted, speaking on the reluctance of the

Chinese Government to come to a settle-

ment on this question, siys:-"The Chinese

'Ministers have, among themselves, resolved'

'upon this step [the opening of the river]

"in the interests of their own revenue,

and very little pressure is needed

"to influence them to adopt this action.

They see that, unless this is done, the

"trade of Kwangsi, Eastern Yunnan, and

"duties thereupon will be completely lost

"Government, like other Governments,

want some quid pro quo, and so they

have made it a condition of opening

the river to foreign trade that Great Bri-

tain do not take back the territory

"Convention." It seems that according to

punishing China for breaking the

report, Lord Salisbury, with a view

and Utai in Chiangheng province, now

and the retrocession of the Burman Shan

territory handed over by England by treaty

to China. The British Minister for Foreign

Affairs will, it is to be hoped, hold strongly

to this point, for he is sure to get it by

But, if this story be true, how comes

massacres which have so disgraced China

blood and silver for destruction of property.

suffered to drop. Of what value are the heads

of a few coolies—human flesh is so cheap in

the Central Kingdom!-as compared with

those of delicately nurtured and educate'd

who are still, we doubt not, at liberty to

plot new crimes against the foreigner?

authorship of an anti-foreign work, was

advanced to one of the highest offices in his

province. In this open manner does the Im-

to riot and violence against the foreigner.

The statement of this Peking correspondent

may, however, rest on only a slight founda-

tion, perhaps merely the fact that Mr.

BEAUCLERK is once more discussing the

West River question with the Tsungli

Yamen. We hope that this and some other d

scarcely less burning questions are being

nctively negotiated at Peking. We want

the West River opened up to foreign trade

because we are satisfied that it would benefit

not only foreign but native trade also. We

also want it because trade with the interior

passes is wholly impossible on account of the

obstruction of the provincial officials. We

urge the step from no feeling of hostility to

France, who will still have a grand oppor-

from the adjacent islands to the south. And

The steamer Arratoon Apcar, from Calcutta,

On account of the uncertain weather the

Committee of the Hongkong Football Competi-

tion has decided to postpone the final tie to.

The C. P. steamer Empress of Japan, from

The P. & O. steamer Rosetta, with the Eng-

deal with userly six hundred charges of firing

crackers in the neighbourhood of the Govern-

ment Civil Hospital during prohibited hours. Of source all the defendants were Chinese, and

in many cases a pomulty of \$5 was imposed.

Vancourer, arrived at Yokohama at noon on the

17th inst., and left at 11 a.m. yesterday for Hong.

kong via Kobe, Nagasaki, and Shanghai.

left Singapore for this port yesterday afternoon.

The Russian cruiser Vladimir

here yesterday for Singapore.

Saturday, 7th March

Chille to vistanceion sooms -3

missionaries has not, let us hope

The Chinese

Western Kwangtung will in a few

constitute a sufficient claim for England to

The course for the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's race on Sunday will be from the Police less as a corollary to the settlement arrived Pier, Kowloon, round the Channel Rocks, Stoneoutters, and mark boat off Chung Hue, at with France with regard to the Mekong leaving all to port and finishing at the starting question. A reckoning would have to be line: 15-miles. come to with China for having, without

At the Harbour Master's office yesterday seven Chinese seamen belonging to the British steamship Strathleven were charged with com-bining together to disobey the lawful commands of the master, Mr. J. Moar, and with refusing to work on the 16th and 17th inst. Each prisoner was sent to gool for seven days with

The post and money order offices will be closed

at noon to morrow and on Friday and Saturday

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for the Peak and Kowloon may be posted up to

Sie Knight J. I. Andrews; J.W., Sie Knight flow southwards through Tonkin, and the G. Mollison; Treasurer, Sir Knight C. Lesbirel; Secretary, Sir Knight F. Walker; Master of Sir Knight J. H. Thomas; I.d., Sir Knight F. Uthe, Equerry, Sir Knight J. Maxwell.

progress of the semi-final tie for the Football and in 1865 the building was reconstructed, Cup between the Hongkong Football Club and another storey being added. In the mean- Sterling, A.D.C., and Miss Boyes, After H.M.S. Centurion on Monday afternoon. Soon time more satisfactory arrangements were after the game started a very heavy shower of made with regard to the tenure of the site, ceded to her by the Burmo-China rain fell and the ground soon became a quag- which is now held direct from the Government mire, but the game was proceeded with. Just on a Crown lease. At various times other Club's half backs, reced up to a member of the number of members increased, but there has never Centurion team with the intention of frustating | been anything in the nature of unfriendly separaa kick. Oliver slipped in the attempt and received a kick which was intended for the ball | craft lodges, working, with the exception of one of the various committees who worked so hard on his shin, just above the ankle. The bone snapped and the injured man was taken to the Royal Naval Hospital, where it was found that China, whose jurisdiction extends as far north the fracture was a simple one, but it will necessitate his detention in the hospital for several weeks. The game was continued after Oliver | four Chapters, one of which is under had been removed and resulted in a win for the Scottish constitution; two Mark Lodges Centurion team by two goals to nil.

> A general feeling of regret was occasioned the same degree working under the Scottish vesterday in the Settlement by the receipt of rite. Within the last few years a Benevolence the news that Mr. S. J. Morris, an old Shanghai. Fund has been stablished for the relief of resident and well-known civil and mining en- indigent brothers and the widows and orphans gineer, had died in Yokohama, whither he had of Masons. gone in the hope of being restored to health. Mr. Morris, who was born in Dublin, was for the jubiles of the Lodge should be celebrated some time, we believe, professionally engaged, in a fitting manner, and a desire having been on railway construction in India, and came to ovinced by the other Ledges to cooperate and the Far East in 1863, first settling in Japan. make the celebration commemorative not only where he aided greatly in the development of of the foundation of the mother lodge of the the coal industry. The spirit of adventure next | district but also of the introduction of Masonry took him to Siberia, where he is said to have into the colony, the idea was gladly adopted. A become a naturalised Russian subject; at any ball was considered the most appropriate form rate he was possessed of some property there, of celebration and a strong committee, comas to the coal-bearing qualities of which he posed of representatives of the various lodges and was enthusiastic. Mr. Morris came to Shang. other Masonic bodies, was appointed to carry out hai twenty-five years ago and had since re- the arrangements. gularly practised his profession. His life was an adventurous one, and he could recall many temporary portico had been erected, which was interesting reminiscences of his varied ex hung with coloured Japanese lanterns. In the

Rev. H. Loomis next caught fire, the reverend arms of the colony and of Zetland house was the next to go, and, says the Japan in quick succession the houses occuby the Rev. W. S. Worden. Cleveland, and Mesark, G. F. L. Ph. von Hemert, F. da Roxa, V. F. radas, and R. Schuffner were ttacked and destroyed. Water was altogether insufficient, and the last house of the block was saved simply in consequence of the direction of the wind changing. The loss incurred is said to be very great and is only partly covered by insur-The police have detained for examination six carpenters who were sleeping in the

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

SUPPLIED TO THE "DAILY PRESS." LONDON, 16th February. DISCOVERY OF THE NORTH POLE. The British Consul at Archangel telegraphs that Dr. Nansen is returning after having

reached the North Pole. THE UNITED STATES FREE COINAGE BILL.

The House of Representatives has rejected the Free Coinage Bill which the Senate substituted for the proposed Bond Bill.

> SUPREME COURT 18th February

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

BEFORE HON. W. M. GOODMAN (ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE.)

THE QUARRY BAY ARMED ASSAULT AND Ng Man was charged with burglary and larceny, and with committing an armed assault with intent to rob. Hon. H. E. Pollock (Acting Attorney-Generall presecuted on behalf of the Crown, being instructed by Mr. Johnson (Crown Solicitor).

T. B. Powell, and M. J. Aquino. The prisoner, accompanied by other men, entered a house at Quarry. Bay, gagged the inmates, and stole what property he could comfortably carry away. The jury found a verdict of guilty, and a sentence of three years' imprisomment and a flogging of thirty strokes was was most effectively carried out, except that

Chan Sam was sent to gaol for two years for committing an assault with intent to rob. The Court adjourned until 10.30 this morning.

THE JUBILEE OF FREEMASONES IN HONGKUNG.

GRAND BALL AT THE CITY HALL. On Monday evening a ball was given t the City Hall by the Masonic Fraternity locality

the Inbilee of Zetland Lodge and the introdu-Commencing to day the mails by the French packets will close es follows .- Circulars, 7:30 of Freemesonry into Hongkong. The occur a.m., registration, 8 a.m.; newspapers, 8.30 a.m.; was justly deemed an important one by Masc letters, 9 am; and late letters 9.10 to 9.30 The O. & O. steamer Coptic, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 28th ult., via Hong-Mr. T. Sercombe Smith had an excellingly busy time yesterday afternoon, when he had to

and no effort was spared to make the celebrata worthy of it, the result being one of the m brilliant and successful functions the City liell has ever seen. The decorations were most effective and the arrangments for the comfort cold and wet, which probably deterred some community is outgrowing the accommodation. Lockbart. They were received at the entrance | \$20,000.00 to contributing shareholders, a bonus of

The N. C. Daily News citys.—There is no afforded by the City Hell for gatherings of this by the District Grand Master, Right Worship-doubt now that H.E. Chang Chin-tung will nature. Upwards of twelve hundred invite tions ful Brother the Hon. C. P. Chater, who escorted shortly leave Nanking for his former Viceroywere issued and the attendance was between eight and nine hundred. Heforo describing the ball in detail a bried

glance at the history of Freemasonry in Hoas. kong inay not be without interest On the 31st December, 1845, nine members of the craft then resident in the colony, being desirous to establish a lodge here; forwarded a petition to the Grand Lodge of England for a warrant giving them the necessary authority for so doing. The petition was recommended by the Master and Wardens of the Royal Sussex Lodge, No. 735, then meeting in Canton, but now domiciled at Shanghai. The petition was granted and the warrant; dated 21st March, 1846, having been received, the new Lodge, which was named the Zetland, hold its first meeting on the 24th June of that year, Brother, Goldsmith being appointed the Worshipful Master. For some years the Lodge met in hired rooms, which were found more or less inconvenient, and changes were rather frequent. Other troubles also attended the early working of the Mr. Gordon, of Hankow, who is at present Lodge and at one time its very existence seemed staying at Mount Austin Hotel, met with a in jeopardy. In 1852, however, it received a large ricksha accident on Monday evening. He was accession of strength when Right Worshipful going to the Masonic Ball with Mrs. and Miss Brother Rawson, the District Grand Master of Gordon and after leaving the tram got into a South China (as the district was then named). ricksha. The drawer unfortunately lost control | consented to fill the chair. An era of prosperity of his vehicle going down the hill, with the dawned on the Lodge with Right Wor. Bro. result that Mr. Gorden was thrown out and Rawson's assumption of office and to the founsustained rather serious bruises about the face dation then laid the craft in this district is indebted for much of its present well-being Right Wor. Bro. Rawson was succeeded by Yesterday afternoon at a meeting of the Wor. Bro. Morcor, a distinguished member of Phonix Chapter of the Rose Croix, No. 17, the Civil Service of the colony, and the chair Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, the follow- was afterwards successively filled by a number ing officers were installed by the M. W. S., Sir of able and distinguished Masons. Having Kt. G. A. Watkins, M.W.S., Sir' Knight F. | moved about from place to place the Lodge at Howell; H.P., Sir Knight G. Moffatt; S.W., length decided to build premises of its own and acquired by lease from Bro. Tarrant. The foundation stone was laid on the 1st February. and a procession was formed, headed by the

The craft, however, rapidly outgrew the Governor and Mrs. Black. Admiral Buller and An unfortunate accident happened during the accommodation afforded by its new home, efore the finish Oliver, one of the Hongkong lodges have branched off from the Zetland, as the tion. At present there are in the colony five | too much praise cannot be given to the members belonging to the Scottish constitution, under the to make the Masonio Jubilee Ball worthy of the District Grand Lodge of Hongkong and South as Foochow; a Lodge of Instruction; a District Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masonry and and a Lodge of Royal Ark Mariners a Preceptory of Knights Templar. The N. C. Daily News of the 11th inst. says :- Rose, Croix Chapter, and another Chapter of

The members of Zetland Lodge decided that

The decorations first call for notice. hall the spaces between the pillars lending to the staircase were filled in with arches

A very destructive fire occurred in Yokohama evergreens and the floor was carpetted with on the morning of the 8th inst. It broke out canvass painted to represent the Mosonic Mata redist Eniscopal Mission of the artisama and statisage wars the two golden pillers from lessness of workmen, who made a huge are of period with the floor pillers from in a building that was being erected for the tesselated pavement. At the foot of the logs in the workshop and lay down to sleep be covered with foliage and flowers. On the side it. A wind sprang up in the night, and first landing, facing the stairs, was a large mirror, the fire was communicated, it is supposed, to in front of which was a pedestal, bearing the some shavings, with the result that the shed | volume of the sacred law, flanked on each side was soon ablaze and the main building also. by the rough and perfect ashlars. At either The wind being strong, the residence of the side of the mirror were shields bearing the gentleman and his is mily having barely time to and the figures 1846-1896. On the side walls offect their escape, and losing everything save were life-size tracings of figures emblematic three small trunks. Mr. Alexander Clark's of the cardinal virtues, temperance, justice, quisite ferns, palms, and other plants and flowers bedecked the staircase and the square and compasses and stars worked in flowers or tinsel were introduced with pleasing effect. In the autoroom was a portrait of the Prince of Wales, Grand Master of the craft, surmounted by His Royal Highness's crest. Royal Arch banners and other Masonic regalia and devices were hung round the walls, and the time-honoured portrait of the Hon. Mrs. Aldworthy, the only lady ever admitted to the craft, was, in evidence. At the head of St. George's Hall was a splendid masonic trophy with the banner of the District Grand Chapter in the centre and those of the District Grand Lodge and Zetland Lodge on either side, various other mesonic devices and regalia being introduced with excellent judgment and taste. Over the decreases were the names of the various virtues held in special regard by Mesons, and on the pillasters were shields with various appropriate devices. The most striking feature in the room, however, was the

magnificent "blaning star" in the centre, formed by electric lights, which diffused a pleasant but not excessively brilliant illumination throughout the room. The band was placed in the eastern doorway leading from St George's to St Andrew's Hall in a very tastefully constructed stand wreathed with evergreens and hung with masonic aprons, etc. a wealth of masonic devices, and

walls of St Andrew's Hall also displayed. end was a figure representative of a Knight Templar, while at the other end the regalia of that degree was exhibited. Supper was served in the Theatre, and the stage, where the principal table was laid, was pronounced by everybody one of the greatest triumphs of the decorstor's art they had ever seen. The proscenium was covered with evergreens among which glowed numerous white and rose electric lights. The scenery at the back represented an oriental scene, the effect of which was heightened by the picturesque costumes of the band of the Hongkong Regiment, which supplied music during supper. At the front part of the stage a cornucopia formed a pleasing feature in the decorations. The front of the dress circle hung with Master Masons' aprons and festeons of white and coloured bunting with a silver star jury Messrs. U. Perkins, E. M. Robarts, J. the back of the green true was 183,000,000 gallons and in Pok. 1350 or smalgam from 1,134 tons stone, again hypersensitiveness on the part of a men who H. Muclehose, W. H. Day, J. M. P. Tavares, shields and more festions of hunting. The fullers 35,000,000, while on the lat of February. decorations everywhere were most effective and tasteful and the committee that had charge of this important part of the work

to be congratulated on the result of its labours. A picturesque ceremonial had been arranged unfortunately no public intimation had been given of the time at which the Governor would arrive, and as His Excellency was punctual to the minute, and came before the Mesons had quite completed their forming up, there was a little delay, which caused a block at the door and compelled a number of the arriving guests to wait outside in their chairs, thereby to speing the arch, of steel and the Masons 25th February arranged nuder their respective banners. The members of the District Grand Lodge were formed in two lines from the main entrance to the foot of the stairway, while the right and left of the stairway were fined by the Worshipful half-year ended 31st December last Knights Templar, who formed an arch of steel due and all charges, amounts to ... with their swords. From the top of the to which has to be added the balance west branch of the staircase a passage was formed through St. Andrews Hall and to the head of St. George's Hall by two lines of

Masons-members of Blue Liedges from the top of the staircase to the entrance of St. George Hall, and from the entrance of St. Goorge and enjoyment of the guests were all that could Hall to the pedestal at the head Royal Arch be desired. The weather was unfortunately. Masons and St. John's Lodge (Scottish). The distinguished guests were H.E. the Governor, H.E. Admiral Buller, C.B., and Mrs. Buller, H.E. and Kowloon, but the large number of guests trict Grand Master of Gloraltar, and Mrs. Hlack; of 4 per cent. or \$62,500.00, equalling together present showed once more how rapidly the and the Hon. J. H. Stowart Lockhart and Mrs. \$187,000.00 be paid to the shareholders a bonus of

them upstairs, preceded by the Wor. Master and Officers of Zetland Lodge and the members of the District Grand Lodge. In St. George's Hall lines were again formed by these in the same order as before and the District Grand Master and guests advanced between the lines and the ball was declared open.

Danoing commenced shortly afterwards to the excellent strains of the Rife Brigade Band, the first set of Lancors being formed as follows The Right Wor. District, Grand Master and Mrs. Black, H.E. the Governor and Mrs. Buller, General Black and Mrs. Stewart, Lookhart Admiral Bullor and Mrs. Milward, Commodore Boyes and Lady Mand Warrender, Hon. H. Stewart Lookbart and Mrs. Danby, Wor. Bro. R. Cooke, D.G.S.W., and Mrs. Boyes, and Hon F. R. Belilios, C.M.G., and Mrs. Cooks The dance programme was as follows

... Toreador.

Ever and Ever Mine. Bric.a.Brac. Dorothy Valse El Dorado Valse Round the Town. Lancers ... Black and Tan. Polka Visions d'Amour. Happy Darkies. Valse My Sweetheart. Les Sirennes. River of Years. Valse Highland . Home. Caledoniaus Love's Dreamland Valse Return of Spring. Polka: Blue Danube. Valse · King of the Revels. Lancers The Hoston Belle. ... Go Bang.

Valse.

Valse:

The call to supper was sounded by a bugle Ceremonies, Sir Knight T. Spafford; Chancellor, 1853, with fall Masonic honours, the occasion principal guests, who were seated at the table being made the greatest Masonic function on the stage in the following order:-The which has ever been held in the colony. District Grand Master and Mrs. Buller, the Mrs. Cooks. General Black and Mrs. Boyes Commodore Boyes and Mrs. Wise, Captain supper the toasts of "The Queen and Craft," "H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, Most Worshipful Grand Master," and the Tyler's toast were duly honoured.

Dancing was then resumed and continued into the morning. All present nntil well appeared to thoroughly enjoy themselves and

The following is a list of the Stewards:-H.E. Bro. Sir William Robinson, K.C.M.C H.E. Bro. Vice-Admiral Alexander Buller. C.B.; H.E. Wor. Bro. Major-General Wilsons Black, C.B., Past D. Dist. G.M., Gibraltar, Right Wor. Bro. the Hon. C. P. Chater. Dist. G. M. Wor. Bro. E. C. Ray. D. Dist. G. M., Chairman.

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Dance-Wor. Bro. H. W. Robertson, Bro. and Bro. W. M. Thompson, R.E. Supper-Wor. Bro. P. R. Simmonds, R.A., Cloak and Card Room-Bro, the Rev. St. A. Baylee, R.N., Wor. Bro. G. C. Anderson, Wor. Bro. J. Lowrie, and Wor. Bro. Dr. Jordan. Invitation-Wor. Bro. W. M. B. Arthur. Wor. Bro. E. C. Ellis, Wor. Bro. S. J. Hanisch, Wor. Bro. F. W. Watts, Wor. Bro. Capt. W. C. H. Hastings, and Bro. Major G.

Decoration-Bro. H. B. Bradshaw, R.N. Wor. Bro. G. Caldwell, Wor. Bro. R. Cooke, Bro. J. Crook. Wor. Bro. W. Danby, Bro. A. Ewing, Bro. F. W. Edwards, Bro. F. Howell Bro. J. Kirkwood, Wor. Bro. D. Macdonald Bro. C. S. McKinley, Bro. G. Sayer, Wor. Bro.

T. Spafford, and Bro. W. J. Tutcher. Ceremonial-Wor. Bro. S. L. Darby. Wor. Bro. L. Mallory, Wor. Bro. Capt. P. R. monds, Wor. Bro. S. J. Hanisch, and Wor. Bro. G. Caldwell.

THE WATER SUPPLY

Residents in the colony may now dismiss any fear they entertained of a water famine, as at the present time there is a sufficient quantity of water stored in the reservoirs to meet the ordinary demands for the next twelve weeks. The calculation is made on the assumption that not a drop of rain falls in the meantime, but the rainy season should set in before that period elapses; indeed, judging by the recent rains, it looks as if the weather had already made up its mind to atone for last year's dilatoriness, and if it will only keep fine for the races, we shall heartily welcome as many showers as will make the reservoirs bubble over as if with joy. On Monday morning the Tytam reservoir contained 118,000,000 gallons of water and the Pokinlam reservoir 36,000,000, giving a total of 154,000,000. The quantity lost from the reservoirs during last week was 6,000,000, and the quantity supplied to the town (the city and hill district) was 13,000,000, so really we gained 7,000,000 gallons of water by last week's rainfall. Therefore, assuming that the consumption averages 13,000,000 gallons a week, there is still a sufficient store to last for twelve weeks, even supposing no rain falls in the meantime: We are really not much worse off for water this year than we were found buyers at \$4.20 and \$4.30, closing firm suit, but with a more or less unwilling though this year Tytam contained 130,000,000 gallons, sales at \$3 have tased up and are obtainable at the world is lamentable where it is not ridicuand Pokfulam 37,000,000 altogether a decrease that and probably at a shade lower. this year of just about four weeks supply. The new catchment area at Tytam has proved for the reception of the principal guests and it very great advantage, as the flow during the last

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO. LIMITED. The following is the report of the Board of

Directors of the Hongkong and Whampon Dock Company, Limited, to the ordinary yearly meet-To the shareholders of the Hongkong and

Whampon Dock Company, Limited. or the stairway were much and officers. The total receipts for the six months are narred closes firm. Hotels have remainerative price; (1) the disastrons competiof the Zetland Lodge, and higher up, by the \$1,252,282,24, and the pet profit, after paying interest brought forward from last account

> and from this have to be deducted-500.00

4,000.00 leaving available for appropriation\$489,974.30 The directors recommend that a dividend for the

\$22,000,00 to the European staff of the Company, that \$200,000.00 be passed to reserve fund and the belance \$54,474.80 carried to n aw socount. Dock has been completed, and good progress in been made in the erection of the new quarters for the staff. The new machine shop at the Chemopelii an Dock has been finished, and the new overhead i revelling crone has been erected and in at work. It has been found necessary to increase the quarters for the staff at the Cosmopolitan Dock and this increased scoomnodation is nearly completed.

The plant and tools at all the Company's e stablishments have been insintained in a thorough state of Kenwick having left the colony, the Hon, J. J. Bell-Irving has been invited to the vaccin seat on the Board. The appointment requires to onfirmed at this meeting.

In accordance with clause 60 of the articles association, Mesars, Michaelsen and Lawis retire rotation, but being eligible offer themselves for re- here as soon as navigation onens. Mr. J. Kramer has been appointed Chairman for

The accounts have been audited by Mesers. Thos Arnold and S. G. Bird. The directors recon mend these gentlemen for re-election. Gro. B. Donwit Ci. Chairr gan.

CAPITAL ACCOUNT, JULY TO DECKM BER, 187)5. 31st Dec. 1895. To value of Aberdoon Docks, as per last, statement. Kowloon. To value of Kowloon Dooks, ax per laft statement \$1,005,855.40* Lessamount since written off . 65,865.40 \$1,000,000.00° Amount paid balance of cost.
No. 2 Dock extension 1,884.00* Amount paid on account of 16 new houses Cosmopolitan Dock. Dook, as per last statement 311,059 BS. Less amount since written off 250,000,00~ Amount paid on account of new fitting shop and plant Amount paid on account of new European quarters. Tug, Launches, and Lighters value of Fame as per last Lessamount since written off To value of 11 steam launches, I steam lighter, and beals .. To sundry debtors To Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, cash on To cost of material on hand

LIABILITIES By shareholders for 12,500 shares of \$1.25 ly Admiralty loan £20.000.00.0 Less repayments 6,362.15.0

£13.637. 4.3 @ 2/15 By Admiralty form exchange adjustment at credit of this account By mindry creditors . By balance of profit brought forward from last account \$ 85,269.40

31st Dec., 1895. REVENUE ACCOUNT. To cost of labour, material, and working expenses at the Company's three withhish-To dro insurance To Grown rent To office expenses, salaries, stationery, and: ront of head office To drawing office expenses and colories..... lo tolegrams To logal expenses

ist July to 31st Dec., 1895. By gross carnings of the Company's three cstablishments
By towage net carnings

HONGKONG SHAKE MARKET. Mesers. Chater and Vernon in their share report for to-day's mail say :---

Although rates have still further risen during 1 N. C. Daily News. the week under review, business has continued slack and only small transfers have been made: The market generally closes firm with more buyers than sellers. Persistent rumours are current of a further reduction in the Bank deposit rate of interest and even of a further reduction of interest on overdrafts which accounts in voice measure for the rise in the market value of shares. We have been unable. in find any grounds for these rumours, however. and simply give them for what they are worth. BANKS. Hongkong and Shanghais have the privileges of their laundry to the natives continued to rule steady with little or no business at 182 per cent. Frem. cum div.; market | seem to have imbibed the traditional feeling of closes steady at 172 per cent, prem. ax div. tinning in demand the rates, rose to \$753 and 976 at which a fair number of shares changed | unwitten law in Downing Street that at all hands at time of writing a few small parcels | hazard the entente cordiale between the two great are obtainable at the rate. Unions continue on bureaux was to be maintained. Even on the offer at \$195 without finding buyers. Small many occasions when the national spirits have sales of Yangteres, North Chinas, and Straits | run high and the presses of London and Paris

are reported at quetations. FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkongs have been these have been rbane. Calm and prefect enquired for, and sales have been effected at courtesy in the relations of the two Offices—to \$2871, \$289, and \$290, market closing firm with the allundant gene of ath nations. It is truly further buyers at the latter rate. Chinas have lamentable that even it such a remote corner also ruled strong, having changed hands at 891 as Peking so happy a reliconship between two

SHIPPING.—Hongkong, Canton, and Macsos be disturbed; especially as ere is really no have been dealt in to some extent at \$367, \$37, adequate cause either public or livate. The capi-\$371, and \$371 cash, market closing steady at tal in its social aspects is now in wrid contrast \$321 ex return. The \$5 return capital is in to the haloyon times of the last ligitor of the course of payment. Shares are enquired for Republic. Leliable information to private for March and Ap-il. Douglases have found fur sources informs us that the "hip" ove the Club ther buyers at \$52, and small lots have changed business was quite unnecessar). The hands; at time of writing more shares are. Legation alone has seventeen Butlemen wanted, but holders refuse to part under \$521, are members of the Club; this in conjunctio at which rate only a few are obtainable. Indo- with other British interests gave screponder-Chinas with a continued demand from the North | once to British management. The Club is a have further advanced to \$581 and \$59, with as social institution and has been run hitherto on far as we know no business; holders continue strictly social lines. Whist figured largely

258, but no shores have changed hands. per cent. prem. have been effected, and a sale solf restraint and urbanity -N. C. Daily News. at 151 is reported. Market closes steady at 151 per cent, prem. The report of the Company is now about to be published. The division of the profits proposed by the Directors will be found in our report of the 21st January, the only

differences being a sum of \$22,000 in lieu of a 10 per cent bouns to employes, and a small amount in the sum carried forward. Kowloon, European imports; and particularly British imguests to wait outside in their chairs, thereby ing of shareholders to be held on Tuesday, the closing at \$45 er div. Wanchais remain un- this despite the opening of new markets, because Wharves have been neglected but steady at \$46, Lands Horers, and Buildings -- Hong - Indian articles. This decline can be attributed kong Lands have continued in strong demand, to three principal causes :-(1) The continued buyers vainly offering 871 and 5711 without and engrmous fall in the dollar, which does not you their report, with a statement of accounts for the bringing but sells at at \$72, however, a few permit British manufacturers to lay down their shares charged hands and more could be placed products on the Chinese market at a sufficiently

although we hear the houses on the property MISCELLANEOUS. - Bales of Ices at \$97, Dairy Farms at \$9. Watsom at \$115, and Fenwicks at \$211, are all we have to report under this

BEWARE of the Party offering instations of MACNIVEN & CAMERON'S RENOWNED PENS.

They potent as a boon and a blessing to men. The Pickwick, the Cyl, and the Cyl, and Bold by our Shadoual Wave con locks, Epistonoli,

A PUZZLE

Find a word of eight letters, which whe pelt in different ways will fill up the gaps, Off to the links is now the cry. For Golf, is now man's Be not --- or slow hit; the ball will go.

LI. HUNCI-CHANG ORDERED .. TO ST PETERSBURG.

The foll lowing telegram, dated Peking, 11th obruary appears in the China Gazette :--An Im perial Decree orders Li Hung-chang to proce at as Special Envoy to St. Petersburg to represent the Chinese Emperor at the of Meremoriles of the Osar's coronation. He takes with him many costly presents and will leave

THE MARQUIS ITO WILL GO ALSO The same paper also publishes the following teleg ram dated Tokyo, 11th February :--It now an open secret, and is regarded as sett led, that the Japanese Premier will go to St. Petersburg in time for the coronation

THE KIANGSU RAILWAY.

The following telegram from the Vicercy Chang Chih-tung was received on Sunday by the local mandarine, addressed to Dr. Yung Wing (who is also a first-class expectant Taotal of this province), Huang Taotai, Intendant of this port, Huang Chun-beien, late Chiness Consul-General at Singapore, and Yeh Th-chuang, acting Marine Sub-prefect of Shangbai - "Railways have been repeatedly approved of by Imperial edict, and I can, moreover, assure you that H.E. Liu Kun-yi, upon being granted his farewell audience the other day prior to leaving Peking for Nanthe Emperor to make no changes in the arrangements made by his predecessor (meaning thoreby the Viceroy Chang himself). His Imperial Majesty has also issued an edict to the same effect. It is decided now to make a beginning with a railway between Shanghai and Soochow, and the estimate for the road of 200 li (65 miles) amounts to about two million tacls. In view of this I intend to memorialise the Throne on the matter. There is now lying in the bank a reserve fund of two million and a half tack and it was at first my intention to use this money on behalf of the Government for the building of the proposed line; but being, moreover, anxious our mercantile classes should also benefit and take an interest in the venture, I authorise you to canvass at Shanghai for shares from amongst the becole to an extent not exceeding a million tack. Should it be found that only shares amounting to, say, several. hundred thousand taels be forthcoming, there will be no objections made: but the funds, official and morcantile, will be deposited in the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and the German Bank. You are also nuthorised to invite cortain number of directors from the mercaptile classes to act on the Railway Board so that they may be able to learn for themselves the capital of the company and the extent of the expenditure on construction, etc. of the proposed line. The accounts of the company shall be kept by a foreign officer ongaged for the purpose, and he shall be the financial manager, by whom the annual balance shoots of the line shall alone be made up. The control and construction shall be held by the Government, but in the event of anything happening that might be distasteful to the mercantile shareholders, their representatives on the Board shall have the right of laying complaints before the whole Board for amendment or otherwise, but the said shareholders shall not be permitted to not on their own responsibility. I hereby appoint Wu Cheng-lu, Provincial Judge of Kiangsu. to be Chief Director, and the Tactai Huang Chun-heien and Yung Wing to be Assistant Directors. Wu Chong-lu will have control over territorial uffairs, the police and good order of the whole line and foreign affairs; Huang Chun-haien shall have control over the construction of the line, and Yung Wing the direction of canvassing for shares. Only Chinese altareholders are to be admitted, nor shall it be permissible to receive sub rosa any shares also. I will in a few days memorialise the Throne on this subject. In the meanwhile I hereby authorise you all to publish this telegram for the information of all concerned."

SUCIAL FRICTION IN THE DIPLOMA-TIC CAMP AT PERING.

Curious reports continue to reach us shout

the extraordinary development of social affairs in Peking. It is now asserted that M. Gérard, the French Minister, has carried his Anglophobia to the laughable extremity of forbidding the authorities of the French convent to give of perfidious Albion. M. Gerard does not the Quai d'Orsay towards the British Foreign MARINE INSURANCES. - China Traders con- Office. As our readers are aware, ever since the eys of Louis Philippe there has been an have been gird g and enapping at each other. great branches of un honor ble service should in its corporate life and whist-players are REFINERIES. Chines are wanted in small strong on its committee. There was no insult lote, but we have heard of no sales. In Luzons to France or Frenchmen in electing fentle sellers continue to ask \$59 and buyers to offer men to the management who would rul it on the lines which experience had shown to be MINING Punjoms A few more shares the most seceptable to the great majority of changed hands at \$5, but the demand proving life members. M. Gerard thought otherwise greater than the supply the rate rose to \$5.10 and foolishwise: he wrote to his co-nationals without finding sellers; at time of writing not que M. Gérard asking them to resign, but shares are wanted at 85:10. New Halmorals | ond Minister of France commanding them to have been enquired for in a small way and have do so. One of the most prominent of his staff changed hands at \$1.60, \$1.70, and \$1.80, closing at first refused, and only did so on receiving a firmish with buyers at latter rate. Raubs have personal order. Count Cassini has followed with buyers; the result of the last crushing is lovel following on the part of his staff. The DOCKS, WHAEVES, AND GODOWNS .- Hong- nation famed for the refinement of its manners kong and Whampoas-Further sales at 150 might show his co-emiles a better example of

THE BELGIAN MINISTER ON THE CURRENCY QUESTION.

The Belgian Minister at Peking, writing

to his Government, states .- For some years ports, have diminished in a sensible manner, and business. West Points continue neglected, not effect, and which, besides, has costs of transport considerably less, and (3) the establishment Chinese territory of cotton manufactories which are the outcome of the two preceding causes. Chinese and foreign speculators who have undertaken these allairs, wish, in effect, to compete with Japanese products as well as to obtain for their capital an interest which is rarely obtained in Europe. The Minister then proceeds to note the cotton mills that have been established in Shanghai, and remarks that one has only to observe the prices of the Shanchai share market to note that the terrer part of the enterprises which pay their dividends in silver give very satisfactory results. The dollar

THE EXPORT OF SILK FROM KOBE

of keeping a place in Asiatio markets.

with a small profit. The Minister adds that it

will naturally be by establishing international

bimetallism that Europe will have any chance

A determined effort is apparently to be made to divert some of the silk trade to Kobe. With this object a meeting of the Japanese silk producers and dealers in the Kwansai and Kinshiu districts is to be held shortly at the Kobe (Japanese) Chamber of Commerce to .take into consideration the establishment of a Raw Silk Trading Co. The reason for action being taken at present is because of the approaching establishment of official silk inspection offices both at Kobe and Yokohama. Whether the present will be more successful than previous attempts it is impossible to say, but Kobe merchants will wish the scheme success, as if a portion of the silk trade can be diverted here it will add materially to the prosperity of the port .- Kobe Chronicle.

THE IRREGULARITY OF THE MAILS TO JAPAN.

It may interest the Hongkong Post Office. if it is concerned to sent up the mails by the quickest route, to know that we (Kobe Chronicle) received yesterday morning (5th February) number of papers brought by the last English mail, which had first travelled to Shanghai and had been re-directed there and forwarded by the Nippon Yusen Kaislis steamer. The remainder of our English mail is presumably on the Bellona, which left Hongkong for Yokohama on the 30th ult., and letters or papers brought by her can scarcely reach Kobe before to-morrow

(9th) at the earliest. The M.M. steamer Melbourne, which left Shanghai at 3 a.m. yesterday [6th February], will arrive here on Saturday morning (8th), the French mail being thus several days earlier than usual. This is in consequence of the accelerated service to which we have previously referred. the M.M. Australian liners bringing out the mail as far as Colombo, where it is transferred to the steamers running to the Far East. Owing to the methods adopted by the Hongkong authorities, the English and French mails of a week apart will on this occasion arrive almost simultaneously. We have repeatedly called attention to the carelessness shown in forwarding the chails from Hongkong to Japan, but we are arraid that no change is likely to be effected until the P. & O. Company run their large vessels on to Japan instead of making Shanghai

e terminus. It has been pointed out to us, says the Kobe Chronicle of 8th February, that the responsibility for the late draival of the English mail this week does not rest with the P. & O. Co., which we may say we had no intention our remarks should suggest, as the company is maturally interested in getting its mail through as quickly as possible. The real difficulty is that the mail subsidy offered by the British Government ends at Hongkong [Shanghai], while we understand that of the M.M. Co. extends to Yokohama. Now that Japan has taken its place as a commercial nation; it certainly would be to its interest to offer a subsidy for quick delivery of mails from Europe, but we are afraid that this is not to be expected at present. As to the larger vessels of the P. & O. coming on to Japan, it is pointed out that they would have to go via Shanghai, where, owing to their full cargoes, they would be compelled to stay two or three days an that there would be adivered here. soon as the passengers, cargo, and mails from England were transhipped from the outward steamer. Even as it is, however, the Hongkong Post Office, as we have repeatedly. pointed out, does not make full use of its opportunities. It did go the length, it appears, Bell's Asbestos E. A.... of dividing the mail for Kobe and for Yokohams, the former portion arriving here yester. Campbell, Moore & Co. day by the Verona. But the English mail arrived in Hongkong on the 25th ult. and the China Sugar Verong did not leave until the 31st, while the Chinese Loan '86 E. Eton left for Nagasaki and Kobe on the 26th Dakin, Cruicks'k & Co. ult, and arrived here on the 5th inst, Thus if the opportunity offered by this vessel had been taken we should have received our mails Green Island Cement. two days earlier than was the case.

JAPANESE TRAVESTY OF JUSTICE.

Physician heal thyself! Before undertaking to "substitute sound Government and good laws competently administered for the corruption, oppression, and travesty of justice that reigns in every department of the Korean State" (according to the Tokyo correspondent of the Times), Japan would be wise were she to adopt measures to ensure the competent administration of her own "good laws." For a trayesty of justice, it is not necessary to go to Secul. If instances of injustice or perversions of the law are wanted there are quite enough cases to satisfy any reasonable mortal nearer home. When Japan can point to a judiciary whose impertiality and rectitude are on a par with that grasp of the law which the judges are supposed to possess; in other words, when her own Courts command respect, then will she have some excuse for interfering in the internal affairs of a friendly paighbour. We are sell aware that this line of writing contrasts somewhat strangely with that heretofore adopted in these columns in regard to this country's work in Korea, but in the light of recent events, notably the decision of the Hiroshima Court in the Miura case, it is impossible to. continue to regard Japan as a trustworthy exponent of Western civilization. By her own acts she has unfitted herself for "the role she undertook to play in the peninsula." The judicial inability or incompetence of which she has given painful proof has done more to nullify her own pretensions than the attitude of veiled estility taken up by Russis, France, and Gerinstant by the men who have lent themselves to New Malwa the task of investing things affecting Japan with a halo of enlightenment and truth. But Patua (New) ignorance of the apparent incompetence of the Japanese Courts to adjudicate upon questions affecting alions and conflicting with the honour or the sims of the nation or its subjects. In the meantime no good end can possibly be served by the local English press glossing over the palpable shortcomings of the Courts W: may not be able to ward off the day when it will be impossible to look to our Consular Courts for justice, but we may be able to draw such attention to facts and lessons already noted that the Japanese Government shall be compelled to see that only well-trained and competent men are entrusted with the administration of the law .-- Kobe Herald.

THE U.S.S. "OLYMPIA."

The following letter appears in the N Daily Novs :---Sir. Believing you to be desirous that all items of news contained in the columns of your. valuable: paper should be absolutely true as to facts. I venture to correct what might convey an erroneous impression to the minds of your readers, by an article which appeared in the Daily News of 27th January which was probably due to incorrect information.

Referring to the remarkable trip of the Empress of India, it is stated that the fast U.S. craiser Olympia left Kobe at 5 p.m., 22nd of January, followed five hours later by the Empress of India. That Admiral McNair took the opportunity to make a trial trip of the Olympia which ship is credited with a speed of 21.69 knots and that the Empress arrived in Nagasaki four hours ahead of her.

The absolute facts of the case are these:-The Olympia's boiler power consists of four main boilers and two auxiliaries. The Olympia left Kobe with fires under two main boilers and one auxiliary or exactly one-half her boiler

At 6 a.m., January 21st, the ship's log reads twenty-two knots. I myself, with a stop watch and two Walker patent logs one checking the other-logged her twenty-one knots between six and seven a.m. This under natural draft. That speed is comewhat nearer what the Olympia can make than what she was making when the Empress of India passed us in the Shimonoseki Strate. I am, sir, yours very

RICHARD MITCHELL, Lient. U.S. Navy. Navigating Officer, U.S.S. Olympia, U.S. Flagship Chympia, 1st Rate, Nagasaki, Japan, 2nd February.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

-The British steamer Zafiro, from Manila 15th Feb., had strong N.E. wind with high sea to lat. 20 N.; thehee to port moderate northerly, breeze and overcast, with high rain at times.

The British steamer Choysang, from Shang-hai 12th Feb., and Swatow 17th, had strong N.E. wind and overcast weather to Swatow; from Swatow to port light variable wind and

The British steamer Wingsang; from Calcutta 2nd Feb., Penang 8th, and Singapore 11th, had. light variable winds and fine weather to Table Island; from there to Penang moderate to light N.E. winds. Weather in the Straits rainy with light variable winds. From Singapore to lat. 15 N. strong monsoon; from there to port moderate

VESSELS IN DOCK ABERDEEN DOCKS .---Kowloon Docks.-Kong Beng, Chowfa, Namoa, Coloma, Taicheong. COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—On Sang.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE TUESDAY, 18th February. CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

EXCHANGE Telegraphic Transfer Bank Bills, on demand Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight -Bank Bills, at 4 months sight ... 2/2 Credits, at 4 months' sight 2/21 DocumentaryBills,4months' sight 2/24 PARIS.-

Bank Bills, on demand2.71 Credits, at 4 months' sight2.76 ON GERMANY. On demand 2.20 NEW YORK.-Bank Bills, on demand Credits, 60 days' sight....

ON BOMBAY. Telegraphic Transfer181 ON CALCUITA -ON SHANGHAL-Private, 30 days' sight721 ON YOROHAMA-

On demand ON SINGAPORE On demand Sovereions, Bank's Buying Rate ... 9.10 GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael.,48

On MANILA .--

FATHER STOCK SHARES. PAID UP QUOTATIONEU COMPANY. China & Japan, prf. £5 nominal Do ordinary £1 10s nominal deferred £1 £2, buyers Natl. Bank of China \$105, sellera Foun Shares ... \$5, sellers \$9, ex div. Tls. 250 10 p. cl. prem

Dairy Farm Co. \$214, sales & huyers Fenwick & Co., Geo. . \$134, sellore H, & C. Bakery \$100, buyers Hongkong & C. Gus .. Hongkong Electric ... \$6.30 \$84 mellers \$100 H. H. L. Tranways .. \$224. Inivers Hongkong Hotel \$97. sdes \$45. ex div. H. & K. Wlarf & G. \$150. sellera 151 u. ct. prem.= \$313.75, sales nsurances— \$190. sales 592, sales & sellers China Fire \$25 \$76, sales & sellers China Traders' 850 Hongkong Fire ... Tla. 220. s.& buyers £25 North-China \$20 \$25 \$195, sellers Union \$60 Yangteze and and Building

\$200, rales & buyers \$251 sales & buyers | 921 \$122, sales & buyers H. Land Investment. \$10 \$30 \$91. sellers Humphreys Estate.. \$15.25, seilers Kowloon Land & B. West Point Building \$59, sellens \$100: alzon Sugar New Balmoral \$5.10, sales & buyers \$1.70. buyers Do. (Preference). 10d. \$4.30, buyers \$50. \$70, sellers China and Manila ... China Shippers \$52, buyers (Entra Douglas S. H. Co. ... 6321 ox return \$5. H. Canton and M... Indo-China S. N \$20 È[O-Wanchai Wareh'se Co. 8374 \$10 \$111, mles & seller

Watton & Co., A. S CHATER & VERNON, Share Broken. Old Malwa, 2 years \$770

EXPORT CARGOES. Per steamer Pyrrhus, sailed on the 12th February :- For London-532 lbs. congon, I case silk. 60 bales waste silk, 5.009 bales hemp, 9 cases cigars, 10 cases camphor wood trunks, 200 casks soy, and 14 packages sandries, C.For Liondon and or Manchester - 65 bales waste silk For Liverpool—1,125 bales hemp, and 1 package sundries. For Buenos Ayres and/or Monteveded-100 boxes tee and 50 cases cassis. Per P & O steamer Pekin sailed on the 13th February :- For London - 3 packages sundries from Foochow, 4 cases cigars from Manile, I case cigars, 50 cases blackwoodware, 86 bales waste silk and 11 cases silk piece goods For Buenos Ayres 48 packages tes from Foodhow. and 5 packages tea. For France 711 bales raw silk. 7 cases silk piece goods, and 17 packages hair. For Milan—10 haies raw silk.

For Genos -1 case silk piece goods. THE WEATHER HONORONG REGISTER Pravious. On date at 4 p.m. Temperature

First Assistant.

Hongkong Observatory, 18th February, 1896.

Museus, Parconne & Co.'s Register, Feb. 18th. Thermom. 1 P.M. .. 57 Therm. Minimum lover.

Thormom, 4 P.M...L8 HONGKONG TIDE TABLE. 18th to 24th Tabruary.

Hon. 24 No inferior 2 50 a Mon. 24 No inferior nor lowper low The height of mean sea-level has been determined, from the tidal observations of 1887 and 1883, as 5.87 feet above zero of the tide-gauge at the Kowloon Tidal Observatory; and the Lower-water Ordinary Spring-Tides, to which datum the heights in these Tables are reierred, as 3.87 feet above zero. The heights in the Tables marked with a minus sign (--) are below Lower-water Ordinary Spring-Tides, and abould be subtracted from the constant given above.

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THE HONGRONG DAILY PRESS, WEDNESDAY, FRENUARY 1978, 1886. EMOTTAMITMI THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY SEVENTH ORDIN- AUTHORIZED CAPITAL ARY MEETING of SHARE SUBSCRIBED HOLDERS in the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 8, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTEAL, Victoria, TO-DAY (WEDNES. DAY), the 19th FERRUARY, at Twelve g'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a D. Gillis, Eq. Statement of Accounts and the Report of the H. Storgerfour, Esq. Directors for the year ending 31st December, CHAN KIT SHAN, Ect.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the COMPANY will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 19th idem, both days inclusive. GEO. L. TOMLIN.

Acting Secretary. Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO. LIMITED.

THE SEVENTHORDINARY ANNUAL the COMPANY will be held at the COMPANY's OFFICE, No. 9, PRAYA. CENTRAL, Victoria TO DAY (WEDNESDAY), the 19th FEB-RUARY, at Twelve o'clock Noon, for the purpore of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the Year ending 31st December, 1895, and Electing B Consulting Committee and Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the COMPANY will be CLOSED from the 15th to the 19th

inst, both days inclusive. General Managers. Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO. LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS,

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the COMPANY, No. 14, PRAYA CENTRAL, on TUESDAY, the 25th FEBRUARY, 1896, at 3 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1895. . The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 25th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, Acting General Manager. Hongkong 17th February, 1896.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE THE TENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHARE HOLDERS of the above COMPANY will be held at the registered OFFICES of the COMPANY, 33 and 40, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTEAL, on TUES. DAY, the 25th instruct Eleven A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Governing Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from the 19th to the 26th inst, both days inclusive. By Order. HART BUCK. Hongkong, 17th February, 1896. HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY SEVENTH ORDIN-ARY ANNUAL MEETING of M. D. Ezekiel, Esq. SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY R. M. Gray, Faq. will be held at the OFFICES of the COMPANY. PEDDER'S STREET, on THURSDAY, the 27th proximo, at Noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1895, and the Report of the General Managers, and to Elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-DANY will be CLOSED from the 14th to the General Managers,

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited. Hongkong, 28th January, 1896.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY LIMITE. NOTICE.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S HOTEL on FRIDAY. the 6th MARCH, 1896, at Noon, for the Purpose of Receiving a Statement of the Accounts of the Company to the Slat December, 1895, with the Report of the Directors, and to discuss any matters that may competently be brought before the Meeting. The TRANSFER HOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd FEBURARY to the 6th March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board. Secretary. Hongkong, 14th February, 1896. HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK ING CORPORATION.

FIRE DIVIDEND declared for the Half Year ending 31st December, 1895, at the rate of ONE POUND AND FIVE SHILLINGS STEBLING (£1 5/.) per Share of \$125, is PAY ABLE on and after MONDAY, the 17th day o apply for WARRANTS. By Order of the Court of Directors,

Chief Manager. Hongkong, 15th February, 1896. CANTON, AND THE HONGKONG, MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

TAKE NOTICE that SHAREHOLDERS can obtain WARRANTS for the return of Capital on application Three Days after leaving their Scrip at the Office of the Com-PANY for endorsement, but no Scrip will be received before the 15th February, 1896. The WARRANTS will only be made out in the names of those Shareholders whose names appear on the Scrip at the time of presentation unless it is desired to have the Shares transferred at the same time.

Dated this 12th day of February, 1896. T. ARNOLD. Beoretary.

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Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANG-HAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application. INTEREST on deposits is allowed, at 31 PER CENT per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the Hongkong and SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PEB CENT. per annum. For the Hongkong and Shanghan BANKING CORFORATION,

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T. JACKSON. Chief Manager. Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA. AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

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T. H. WHITEHEAD, Manager, Hongkong Hongkong, 16th September, 1895. TIONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK. ING CORPORATION. RESERVE FUND \$ 5,750,000 RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROP'TORS.\$10,000,000 | Rates.

COURT OF DIRECTORS: A. McConachie; Esq.—Chairman. St. C. MICHAELSEN, Esq.—Deputy Chairman. J. Kunner, Esq. Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving G. B. Dodwell, Esq. D. R. Sassoon, Esq. R. Shewan, Esq. N. A. Siebs, Esq. CHIEF MANAGER:

Hongkong-T. Jackson, Esq. MANAGER: Shanghai-J. P. WADE GARD'NER, ESQ. LONDON BANKERS-LONDON & COUNTY BANK-ING COMPANY, LIMITED. Honokong-Interest Allowed.

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INSURANCES. SOUTH BRITISH FIRE, AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY. LESSRS. ARNHOLD, KAREERG hama on Wednesday, the 12th inst., at daylight & CO. have This Day been appointed and may be expected here to day. SUB AGENTS of the above Company. Int January, 1896. S. J. DAVID & CO.

Agents, Hongkong With reference to the above we are prepared to scorpt FIRE and MARINE RISKS at ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO. Sub-Arents.

THENIX FIRE OFFICE. The Undersigned are new prepared GRANT. POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE at Current Rates. DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO. Agents for the Phonix Fire Office.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1887. THE MANCHESTER FIRE ASSUR-ANCE COMPANY. ESTABLISHED A.D. 1824.

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HOLLIDAY, WISE, & CO., Hongkong, 9th January, 1896. NORTH BRITISH AND MERCAN.

TILE INSURANCE COMPANY. TOTAL FUNDS AT SIST DECEMBER, 1894, £11,671,018 2s. 2d.

I.—AUTHORISED CAPITAL £3,000,000 SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ... 2,750,000 PAID-UP CAPITAL 687,500 0 FIRE FUNDS..... The Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company are pre pared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE a Current Rates. SHEWAN & CO. Agents.

Hongkong, 13th July, 1895. COTTISH METROPOLITA ASSURANCE CO.

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Agent. Hongkong, 18th June, 1894. TORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG. The Undersigned AGENTS of the above

J. Y. V. VERNON.

Company are PREPARED TO ACCEPT First Class Foreign and Chinese Risks at Current SIEMSSEN & CO. Hongkong, 29th May; 1895. QUN INSURANCE OFFICE, LONDON

FOUNDED 1710. The Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current SIEMSSEN & CO.,

Hongkong, 16th May, 1892 TRANSATLANTICFIREINSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG. The Undersignen, unvink west appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current dom, Europe, and places beyond, via Marsoilles ;

SIEMSSEN & CO.. Hongkong. 16th November, 1872 GENERAL NOTICE.

CHAI ON MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.. CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED - \$1,000,000.

The above Company is proposed to Accept &c. Policies granted to all parts of the World | with the same late fee. payable at any of its AGENCIES. CHAN HE-WAN, Secretary. HEAD OFFICE:

No. 42, BONHAM STRAND WEST. Hongkong, 23rd August 1895. R. J. REMEDIOS, THOREIGN AND COLONIAL STAMP DEALER. 7A, CAINE ROAD, HONGEONG,

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NOTICE OF FIRMS. NOTICE.

HAVE This Day Established myself as SHIP AND GENERAL BROKER. Hongkong, 1st February, 1896. C. P. KARBERG. CHINA INSURANCE COM-

TROM This Date, Mr. L. KENNARD With Boat and Gun in the Yangtze Valley, by DAVIS will Act as AGENT of the DAVIS will Act as AGENT of the COMPANY at this BRANCH. By Order of the Court of Directors, B. C. T. GRAY. Acting Agent. Hongkong, 17th February, 1869.

NOTICE

PANY, LIMITED.

THE UNDERSIGNED have been appointed Warne's Royal Natural History, 4 Vols.

SOLE AGENTS in Hongkong and Lawn Tennis by W. Baddeley. China for Mesars. RUDOLF DAESCHNER & Co., and MANAGERS of Mesars. RUDOLF DAESCHNER & Co.'s FEATHER FAC. Calverts' Mechanics' Almanack. WORLY at Kennedy Town, Hongkong. Harris, February, 1896. LAUTS, WEGENER & CO.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Besponsibility of the late DAVID MONCRIEFF WRIGHT in the firm of D. MONCRIEFF WRIGHT CEASED on the 31st day of DECEMBER, 1894 since which date the Firm has been carried on by ROBERT JOHN, HASTINGS upon his own

The said ROBERT JOHN HASTINGS of the following Vessels during their stay in will continue to carry on the Business of the Hongeng Harbour -late Firm from the 1st day of JANUARY, 1896, BONNINGTON, Brit. str., N. D. Leightonunder the name of D. M. WRIGHT & CO. Tainanfu, 31st Docember, 1895.

VESSELS EXPECTED. CRAN BUILD WELLS CONTENT

THE AMBRICAN MAIL. The O. & O. chartered steamer Afrida, withthe American mail of the 11th ult., left Yoko-The O. & O. steamer Copie, with the American mail from San Francisco to the 28th ult., via Honolulu, has arrived at Yokohama, and will leave for this port this morning, the 19th inst, via Nagasaki.

The P. M. steamer City of Rio de Janeiro, with the American mail, left San Francisco for this port via Nagaraki on the 6th inst. THE ENGLISH MAIL. The P. & O. steamer Rosetta, with the English mail of the 24th January, left Singapore. on Monday, the 17th inst., at 4 p.m. and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 23rd inst. This Proket brings replies to letters despatched from Hangkong on the 19th Dec.

THE INDIAN MAIL. The steamer Arratoon Apour, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on the afternoon of the 18th inst. THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C. P. steamer Empress of Japan, from Vancouver, arrived at Yokohams on the 17th inst. at noon and left at 11 a.m. on the 18th inst, for Hongkong via Kobe, Nagasaki and

Shanghai THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL. The. C. N. Co.'s steamer Tainan left Port Darwin for this port on the 10th inst. MERCHANT STRANGERS. The D. D. R. steamer Frigga, from Hamburg,

left Singapore on the 15th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 22nd inst. The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Dardonue, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the morning of the 16th inst., and may be expected here on or about Saturday, the 22nd inst.

The China Mutual steamer Pingsuey, from Glasgow and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 8th inst., at moon, and may be considered due at Singapore on or about 26th inst. The N. G. I. steamer Letimbro left Bombay for this port on the 8th inst; and may be expected here on or about the 29th inst. The P. & O. steamer Brindisi left Bombay for this port on the 15th inst. The N. P. steamer Hankow sailed from Tacoms for Hongkong via usual Japan and China ports of call on Friday, the 7th inst. The China Mutual steamer Teenkai, from Glasgow and Liverpool, passed the Caual on the 15th inst, and may be considered due at Penang on or about the lat prox.

on Friday, the 14th inst. POST-OFFICE NOTICE.

The N. P. Co.'s steamer Strathneris left

Tacoms for Hongkong via usual ports of call

PEAR DELIVERY closes at Post Office at 11.30 a.m. and 3 p.m. or in Letter Boxes in the Cars by 12 and 3.30 c'clock Trams, Letter Boxes at Peak will be cleared at 12.80 and 4 p.m. The Postal Guide for 1896, revised to date, will be found in the Chronicle and Directory, . IIX. This is the only authorised complete

Summary of Postal information published in Hongkong. The authorised List of Mails issued in connection with this paper is the one published twice each day in our Extra, which is corrected to a much later hour than that given below.

A MAIL WILL TLOSE For Swatow .- Per Wing Hong, to-day, the 19th inst. at 8.30 A.M. For Straits and Bombay -- Per Robilla; to-119 day, the 19th inst., at 11.30 A.M. For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, and Melbourne.-Per Taiyuan, to-day, the 19th inst., at 2.30 P.M. For Manila.—Per Sungkiany, to-day, the 9th inst. at 2.30 P.M. For Bangkok.-Per Machew, to morrow, the

2(1th inst., at 5.00 P.M. For Shanghai.-Per Lycemoon; on Friday, the 21st inst., at 3.30 P.M. Her Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama.—Per Venena, on Friday, the 28th inst., at 11.30 A.M. MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET. bespectade Gartract Packet Caledonien will February, with Mails for the United Kingto Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Bur-

mah, Ceylon, the Australasian Colonies, Pondichery, Madras, Calcutta, Aden, Mauritius, [17] Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar. The following hours will be observed in closing the mails for Europe, &c:-7.30 A.M.—Posting of Prices Current and Circulars ceases. 8.00 A.M.—Registry ceases: 8.30 A.M.—Posting of newspapers, books, and

patterns coases. 9.00 A.M. -- Mail closes. LATE LETTERS may be posted (from 9.10 A.M.) with 10 cents late fee up to 9.30 A.M., MARINE RISKS at Current Rates on Goods, after which hour they may be sent on board,

> MAILS BY THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S PACKET. The Canadian Mail Packet Empress of India will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 19th February, with Mails for Shanghai, Japan, the United States, Canada, &c., which. will be closed as follows:--10.00 A.M. Registry ceases. 11.00 A.M. Post Office closes, but correspondence

may be posted on board the Packet with the Late Fee of 10 cents extra postage until time of departure.

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are hereby notified that the Cargo is being dis-charged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Undersigned; in both cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 15th inst. Goods undelivered after the 21st inst. will be subject to rent. All damaged Goods must be

left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 22nd inst. BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. Agents, Hongkong, 12th February, 1896.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVI. GATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM TRIESTE, VENICE, PORT SAID,

SUEZ, JEDDAH, SUAKIM, MASSA WAH, HODEDDA, ADEN, BOMBAY COLOMBO, PENANG, AND SINGA. PORE.

THE Steamship 'MARIA TERESA having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited

whence delivery may be obtained.

This vessel brings on Cargo :at Colombo. From Trieste ex s.s. Imperator, transhipped nt Bombay. From Venico ex s.s. Massintiliano, transhipped at Triesto.

at Port Said. Optional Cargo will go on to Shanghai unless To-morrow. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the undersigned before Noon on the 19th instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 19th instant will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER & CO.,

Hongkong, 12th February, 1896. THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVI GATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, NEW PORT, PENANG. AND.

SINGAPORE THE Company's Steamship

having arrived from the above ports, Consignous of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Kowloon, whence delivery may be

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the office of the . Undersigned before . Noon on the 24th instant, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st instant, at 3 o'clock P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 19th · instant, will be subject to rent.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-Bills of Lading will be countersigned by HÖLLIDAY, WISE & CO.,

Hongkong, 14th February, 1896. STEAMSHIP "ERNEST/SIMONS." COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNATION TO THE REPORT OF THE PROPERTY OF S.S. Memphies and Bagdad, from Havroex S.S. Bagdad, from Bordeaux ox S.S. Ville de Dunkerque in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure, and Valuables, LULU and passengers are allowed to break are being landed and stored at their risks, into their journey at any point en route. the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at-Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignoes be- the United States or Canada. Rotes and partifore Noon, To-DAY, the 17th inst., requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after MONDAY, the 24th inst., at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges. All Claims must be sent in to me on or before MONDAY, the 24th inst., or they will not be recognised

All Damaged Packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 21th inst., at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected. C. TOURNAIRE Acting Agent:

Wongkong, 17th February, 1896 VESSELS ON THE BERTH

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS CALCUTTA, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITER-RANEAN, AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX. PORTS OF BRAZIL AND LA PLATA. ON WEDNESDAY, the 19th February, at 10 A.M., the Company's Stormship "CALEDONIEN," Captain L. Bianc, with Mails, Passengers, Specie, and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSUTLES via Ports of call, without transhipmont.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon,

Cargo will be received on board until 4. P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M. on the 18th Feb. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and Value of Packages are required. For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

Acting Agent. Hongkong, 7th February, 1896. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,

LIMITED. FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY, AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship "TAIYUAN," Captain R. Nelson, will be despatched TO-

DAY, the 19th inst, at 3 P.M. The attention of Passengers is din ted to ist Class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Cham- Japan for the above Line are prepared to issue

during the entire voyage. Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light, For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents. Hongkong, 14th February, 1896. CHINA NAVIGATION-COMPANY, LIMITED...

FOR MANILA. HE Steamship

"SUNGKIANG." Captain C. B. N. Dodd, will be despatched TO. DAY, the 19th inst., at 3 P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents. Hongkong, 17th February, 1896.

VESSEL ON THE BERTH CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SHANGHAL AND CHEFOO.

THE Steamship "KWEILIN." Captain Harris, will be despatched on MON \mathbf{DAY} , the 24th inst. : For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERÉIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1896. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN DIRECT. WHE Steamship "NANCHANG."

Captain Finlayson, will be despatched MONDAY, the 24th inst. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,. Hongkong, 12th February, 1896. THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY. STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH, AND

From Calcutta ex. s.s. Aglaia, transhipped- Through Billies of Lading issued for BATAVIA PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

LONDON

THE Steamship "RAVENNA." From Taffa ex s.s. Vorwaerts, transhipped at | Captain E. Street, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bou-BAY, &c., on THURSDAY, the 27th FEBRUARY,

notice to the contrary be given before NOON at NOON, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports. Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London. Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required. Shippers are particularly requested to note

the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading. For further Particulars apply to ALF. WOOLLEY. Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1896. OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL

STEAMSHIP, COMPANY. TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS

TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL' AND SOUTH AMERICA. AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS AND

ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND

HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. COPTIC (via Nagasaki,) TUESDAY, March 3, Inland Sea, 1896, at Noon. GAELIC (via Nagasaki,) SATURDAY, March Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) 21, 1896, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship "COPTIC" will be dispatched for SAN FRAN-CISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, and YOKOHAMA, on TUESDAY, the Brd Manch, 1896, at NOON, connection be-

8, 1896, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the IN-LAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONO.

Through Passenger Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of culars of the various Routes may be obtained

upon application. Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not [2 apply to through fares from China and Japan to

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day pre-

vious to sailing. Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Commany's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs. San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage apply to the Agency of the Company No. 7, Praya Central. J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent,

Hongkong, 4th February, 1896. FOR NEW YORK. THE 100 A.I. German Iron Barque

"CERASTES," Peters, Master, will leave as above on o about the 20th March. For Freight, apply to

CARLOWITZ & CO. Hongkong. 12th February, 1896.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. THE 100 A.I. British Bark

"FORMOSA," Captain A. Ohrloff, shortly due here, will load or the above port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to MELCHERS & CO.,

Agonts. Hongkong, 1st February, 1896. STEAM TO NATAL AND CAPE PORTS THE NATAL DIRECT LINE

FROM CALCUTTA (MESSRS. BULLARD, KING & CO.'s LINE.) or Accommodation offered by this THE Undersigned having been appointed I GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and

ber ensures the supply of Fresh Previsions THROUGH BILLS of LADING for NATAL, EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH, MOSSEL A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the BAY, CAPE TOWN, DELAGOA BAY, and BEIRA. Transhipment will be made at CALCUTTA. Next sailing from Calcutta, S.S. CONGELLA" on the 28th February, to be followed by the S.S. PONGOLA "21st [402 March, S.S. "UMZINTO" 15th April, and thereafter every three weeks.

> SPECIAL NOTICE. From FOOCHOW AND HONGKONG Direct to CAPE PORTS.

"PONGOLA" will load middle July. "CONGELLA" will load end August. For Freight and further Particulars, DODWELL CARLILL & CO., General Agents for China and Japan. Hongkong, 27th January, 1896.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING. VESSEL'S NAME. FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO DESTINATION. LAG & RIG. CAPTAIN TO BE DESPATCHED. P. & O. B. N. Co. On 27th inst., at Noon. LONDON, &c..... Brit. str. Ravenna Street On 5th March. Diomed. Butterfield & Swire LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.. Brit.str. Brit. atr. P. & O. S. N. Co. On or about 5th March. LONDON P. & O. S. N. Co. On or about 20th Mar. Bombay Brit. str. LONDON Arnhold, Karberg & Co. On or about 22nd inst. ONDON & HAMBURG Daniel. Brit. str. HAVRE & H'BURG VIA STORE Ger, str. Formes. Siemsson & Co. On or about 3rd Mar. Arnhold, Karberg & Co. March. HAVRE, B'MEN, & H'BURG V S'PORE Dorothea Rickmers. Ger. sta., Melohers & Co. On 3rd Mar., at 9 A.M. BREMEN & PORTS OF CALL Prinz Heinrich Ger. star. Schmolder Messageries Maritimes... MARSHILLES VIL BAIGON &C. Hlano-----To-day, at 10 A.M. To-day, at Noon. Canadian Pacific R. Co. VANCOUVER, VIA S'HAI, &c. Emores of India Pobus, R.N. On 10th March, at Noon. Dodwell, Carlill & Co. VICTORIA, B.C., &c., v. Y'HAMA... Hankow Brit.-str. On 3rd March, at Noon, SAN FRANCISCO VIA Y'HAMA On 22nd inst, at Noon. P. M. S. S. Co. SAN FRANCISCO VIA Y'HAMA Peru ... Amer. str. Quick despatch. Shewan & Co." SAN FRANCISCO Brodick Castle Brit ship Quick despatch. Quick despatch. Melchers & Co. Ohrloff Formosa Brit. ship SAN FRANCISCO Queen Elizabeth Fulton. SAN FRANCISCO Port Adelaide Brit. str. On or about 28th inst. NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL A. Morgan Dodwell Carlill & C Carlowitz & Co. Corastes On or about 20th March NEW YORK Brit. str. Butterfield & Swire SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, &c.... Taivuan Nelson To-day at 3 P.M. STRAITS & BOMBAY. Robillo. Brit. str. P. & O. S. N. Co. To day, at Noon. Brit, str. Y'HAMA, v.S'HAI, NSAKI & KOBE. Formosa P. & O. S. N. Co. On or about 25th inst. YOKOHAMA, VIA N'SAKI & KOBE. P. & O. S. N. Co. On 28th inst., at Noon, Verone... Brit. str. On 22nd inst. Tsinan Brit. etr. Ramsay ... Butterfield & Swire YOKOHAMA & KOBE Finlayson Nanchang Brit. etc. Butterfield & Swire On 24th inst. TENTSIN DIRECT Brit str. Butterfield & Swire On 24th inst. Shanghai & Chefoo Kweilin : Harris ...

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ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE. THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C Twin Screw Steamships-6,000 Tons-10,000 Horse-Power-Speed It knots

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. (Subject to Alteration.) EMPRESS OF INDIA....Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 19th Feb., 1896

EMPRESS OF JAPAN ... Comdr. Geo. A. Lee, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 18th March, 1896 EMPRESS OF CHINA. Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R..... WEDNESDAY, 8th April, 1896 THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL

TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY leaving there daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

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SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments CIRCULAR PACIFIC TICKETS Hongkong to Vancouver Vancouver to Sydney, Australia, via Honolulu, and Sydney to Hongkong via Brisbane and Torres Straits, Good for 9 months, £100.

The attractive features of this Company's route embraces its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS. second to none in the World), the LUXUBIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL FEMILE 100 AI British Ship TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT IMOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY

through which the Line passes. THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled. For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1895.

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PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

REMARKS. Freight or Passage. (Calling at Colombo if sufficient inducement offers.) This Belgic (via Nagasaki,) Wednesday, April Straits Ports and Bombay....Rohilla......Noon, 19th Feb... vestel will convey passengers for LONDON, &c., transferring tos.s. Palawan, proceeding direct from Singupore. Freight or Passage. (Passing Y'HAMA V. S'HAI, N'SAKI & KOBE. FORMOSA ... About 25th Feb. through the INLAND SEA.)

RAVENNA" Noon, 27th Feb. See Special Advertisement BORNEO About 5th March .. Freight or Passage. LONDONBombayAbout 20th March Freight or Passage. For Further Particulars, apply to

Hongkong, 17th February, 1896. VESSELS ON THE BERTH U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY. VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND

HONOLULU. PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM-HONGKONG! PERU (via Nagasaki,) SATURDAY, Feb. 22, Kobe, Inland Sea, and 1895, at Noon. Yokohama.)

CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO \ THURSDAY, March (via Nagasaki, Kobe, 12, 1896, at Noon. Inland Sea, and Yoko-CITY OF PERING (via TUESDAY, March 31, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland 1896 at Noon 1896, at Noon. Sea, and Yokohuma,)...

THE U. S. Mail Steamship "PERU will be despatched for SAN FRAN-CISCO, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, and YOKOHAMA on SATURDAY, the 22nd FEBRUARY, 1896, at Noon, takin, Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the IN-LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONO-LULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route. .

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC. Union Pacific, Denver and Ric Grands and Northern Pacific Railways; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVER-LAND CITIES in the United States have. between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the Southern Pacific, Gentral Pacific, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE and other direct connecting Rullways, and from Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as the day previous to suiling. Parcel Packages above, CALLING at NAPLES and GENOA. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Senled Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco. For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent. Hongkong, 10th February, 1896.

ALF. WOOLLEY, Acting Superintendent.

D. E. BROWN, General Agent.

Peddor Street.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE. THE Steamship

"TSINAN." Captain Ramsay, will be despatched on SATUR-DAY, the 22nd inst. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Hongkong, 13th February, 1896.

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE, AND HAMBURG. (Calling at NAPLES for landing Passengers if sufficient inducement offers.) (Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LISHON, OPORTO,

LONDON, LIVERPOOL, and BEEMEN.) HE Steamship Captain H. Formes, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about TUESDAY, the 3rd .This stramer has superior accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers and carries

a Doctor and a Stewardess. · For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & CO. Hongkong, 3rd February, 1896. NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE. STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLUMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP BREMEN, AND HAMBURG.

ORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS; LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BAL. TIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORES.

SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE. Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines. N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH

BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES IN RUSSIA. PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

PRINZ HEINRICH ... | Tuesday ... | 3rd Mar. PREUSSEN Tuesday ... | 31st Mar. SACHEEN Tuesday ... | 28th Apr. KARLSRUHE | Tuesday ... | 26th May. of the United States, via Overland Railway, to PRINZ HEINEICH ... | Tuesday ... | 20th June. Havana, Trinidad, and Demorara, and to ports in Mexico, Control and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamore PRINZ HEINRICH," Captain W. Schmölder with MAILS PASSENGERS,

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noor on SATURDAY, the 29th February, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des; be received at the Agency's Office until Noon, the United States should be sent that the Agency's Office until Noon, on MONDAY, the 2nd March. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed at less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Messurement. The Steamer has splendld secommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess Linen can be weshed on board. For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & CO.,

Agents Hongkong, 7th February, 1896,

Butterfield & Swire To-day, at 3 P.M. VESSELS ON THE BERTH "SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS: FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG HE Company's Steamship

On or about 24th inst.

On 21st inst., at 4 P.M.

To-day, at 9 A.M.

P. & O. S. N. Co.

"NERITE." Captain W. Daniel, will be despatched as above on or about SATURDAY, the 22nd inst. To be followed by the Company's Steamship "SPUNDILUS,

which will be despatched for the above destina tion on THURSDAY, the 27th instant. For Freight, apply to " ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO., Hongkong, 6th February, 1896.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL THE Steamship "PORT ADELAIDE Captain Morgan, will be despatched for the

above port on or about 28th February followed by the S.S. "GHAZEE" on or about the 15th For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL CARLILL & CO.

Agants." Hongkong, 12th February, 1896. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. BRODICK CASTLE." Ferguson, Master, will load here for the above port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & CO. Hongkong, 6th December, 1895. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY: FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

NIAE Company's Steamship "DIOMED." Captain Bartlett, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 5th March. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Houghong, 19th February, 1896. NORTHERN: PACIFIC STEAMSHIP AND RATEROAD COMPANIES.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN. THE attention of passengers is directed to CANADA and to EUROPE. HONGKONG TO LONDON \$400. Excellent accommodation. First class Table. DOCTOR and STEWARDESS carried. HONGKONG TO NEW YORK \$350. The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK PORTS. Passengers to Eukope may proceed by one of

the first class Atlantic Mail Links. HONGKONG TO TACOMA \$225. Rates of Passage to other Points on application. Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. (Subject to Alteration). HANKOW 3,594 | Tuesday ... | Mar. 10 TACOMA | 2,549 | Tuesday ... | Apr. 7 VICTORIA | 3,167 | Tuesday ... | May HE Steamship "HANKOW." Captain W. S. Orr, sailing at Noon, on TUES. DAY, the 10th March, will proceed to SHANGHAL, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VIC-

TORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, Wash. Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points. Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate, and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the care design required. of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma Wash. Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address For further information as to Passage or the Furniture, &c. supplied.

Freight, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., Genera' Arents. Hongkong, 11th February, 1896.

RICKMERS LINE. REGULAR MONTHLY SERVICE FROM BREMEN. MIDDLESBRO, ANTWERP

AND HAMBURG, VIA SUEZ CANAL, PENANG, SINGAPORE, HONGKONG SHANGHAL, HYOGO, AND YOKOHAMA: FROM HOME.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT PROPOSED SAILINGS OF THE NEW ELEGANT STEAMERS OF THE RICEMERS RICEMILIANG, SHIPOWNING, AND SHIP WILDING COMPANY OF BEEMEN.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS). DOLOTHEA RICY MERS 3,816 | December. DEIKE THOUME S 3,700. Japanery. MARIA HICKMELS | 5,500 | February. HELENE RICKMIRS 3,233 | March. SOPHIE RICKMERS 3,249 | April. ELLENE RICKMERS 5,500 May. ELIBABETH RICKMERS ... 5,500 June. FROM THE EAST.

VIA SINGAPORE TO HAVRE, BREMEN, AND HAMBURG, said other Continental Ports, if sufficient inducement offers. (Taking Corgo at through rates to ANTWEEP, AMETERDAM, and ROTTERDAM). PROPOSED SAILINGS. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS).

DOEOTHEA RICKY ERS ... | 3,846 | March. DEIKE RICKMERS 3,700 April. MARIA RICKMERS 5.500 May. HELENE RICKMEES 3.233 June. THE Steamers are all FIRST-CLASS BISKS and are supplied with all the modern Appliances and powerful Engines. For Further Particulars, apply to ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.,

Hongkong, 8th February, 1896.

Agents.

TO LET. ARGE GODOWN on Kowloon PRAYA. enitable for the Storage of Coal or. General Cargo. LINSTEAD & DAVIS. Hougkong, 2nd Docember, 1895.

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TO LET at THE PEAK. Possession Apall. MUNFORD - A Five Roomed House, with cement Tennis Court attached. Apply to C: W. RICHARDS.

TO LET T ARKSPUR," UPPER RICHMOND ROAD, Sevon Rooms and Tonnis Rent \$80 monthly, including Taxes. MR. L. SIMON.

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE. Hongkong, 15th January, 1896. TO LET. THE Corner Premises under the Hongkong Horez, formerly occupied by W. ROBIN-

son & Co. Immediate Possession: Apply to W. ROBINSON & CO., Connaught House. Hongkong, 11th November, 1895.

TO LET WO Six-Roomed Semi-detached Dwelling Occupation from September next. For further Particulars, apply to DAVID SASSOON. SONS & CO.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1896. TO LET. ARGE ROOM on SECOND FLOOR of 18 A PRAYA CENTRAL. Very Suitable for

CARMICHAEL & CO., LIMITED Hongkong, 20th December, 1895. TO LET-FURNISHED.

TO. 3. MOSQUE TERRACE. Complete View of the Harbour. Apply to " G. A. W.." . Care of Office of this Paper. Hongkong, 18th February, 1896.

TO LET. WELLING HOUSES-HOUSES in RIPON TERRACE. No. 17, LYNDHURST TERRACE. No. 6, VICTORIA VIEW, Kowloon. THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-MENT & AGENCY CO., LD. Hongkong, 15th February, 1896.

TO BE LET. TASTLEY—A Five-Roomed House, with Censervatory, Turf Tennis Lawn, and usual Servants' Quarters. BELVOIR LODGE-A Seven-Roomed House, with Gardon, Turf Tennis Lawn, and ample Servants' Quarters. A FOUR-ROOMED HOUSE and SIX-ROOMED HOUSE in Richmond Terrace. CHAMBERS—Apwild Dell Buildings. HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO. LIMITED.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1896. TO LET. (With Immediate Possession), TOUSE in ELLIOT CRESCENT. Toutsining Triscoppor Hooms and 5 Bedrooms. TO LET

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Mrs: GILLANDERS. GLENEALY BUILDINGS. Hongkong, 9th January, 1896. [142] BOARD AND RESIDENCE: COMFORTABLY FURNISHED LOOMS with Board. Apply to Mrs. MATHER,

2 Pedder's Hill Hongkong, 1st January, 1892. LURNITURE WAREHOUSE. LI KWONG LOONG, CLBINET-MAKER AND ART DECORATOR. from Shanghai, has opened a FURNITURE STORE No. S. WYNDHAM STREET: The only Shop in Hongkong with this name, Where HIGH-CLASS FURNITURE of

every description can be made to order in any Has been patronised by the Hongkong Club, Hongkong Hotel, Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Limited, and other leading Establishments in the marked in full) by 5 P.M. on the day previous to Colony, to whom reference may be made as to the Superior Workmanship and Materials of Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co. write as follows:-We have pleasure in stating that Mr. LI "KWONG LOONG furnished the Annexe "to our Dispensary and gave us every satisfaction. (Sd.) "A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED, OEDERS punctually attended to and CHARGES most moderate. AN INSPECTION INVITED. Hongkong, 4th February, 1895.

CARBOLINEUM-AVENARIUS USED FOR 16 YEARS. Thoroughly reliable preservative for Wood and Stone against White Ants, Decay, Fungus Rot, and Damphess Sole Agents for China, SCHEELE & CO. Hongkong, 25th January, 1892 DOMBAY BURMAH TRADING COR-

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SIAM TEAK TIMBER. THE BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED BANGKOK. RDERS can be Booked and Rates Supplied

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SIENTING. SURGEON DENTIST. No. 10, D'AGUILAR STREET. TERMS YERY MODERATE Consulation Free. Hongkong, 23rd September, 1891.

FOR SALE DUINART PERE & FILS, REIMS Established 1719. CHAMPAGNE GROWERS AND SHIPPERS. Ship only the Finest Quality Extre Dry (Green Seal) LAUTS, WEGENER & CO. Sole Agents. Hongkong, 17th May, 1895.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1898. [152] THEESH ISIGNY BUTTF in Bottles.

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